

MARICOPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTE BOOK

INFORMAL SESSION

June 1, 2004

The Board of Supervisors of Maricopa County, Arizona convened in Informal Session at 9:00 a.m., June 1, 2004 in the Board of Supervisors' Conference Room, 301 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona, with the following members present: Andrew Kunasek, Chairman, District 3; Fulton Brock, District 1; Don Stapley, District 2, Max W. Wilson, District 4, and Mary Rose Wilcox, District 5. Also present: Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board; Shirley Million, Administrative Coordinator; David Smith, County Administrative Officer; and Paul Golab, Deputy County Attorney. Votes of the Members will be recorded as follows: (aye-no-absent-abstain).

PRESENTATION AND OVERVIEW OF GOV DOCS (ADM1625)

Al Macias, Director of Communications

Helen Carroll, Deputy Director, Office of Communications

Kerri Baumann, Office of Communications

Ms. Baumann presented a handout highlighting new additions to the Maricopa.gov website, the most important one being "Information Age Government" (M Info) where residents may subscribe, at no cost, and be sent updates on newsworthy items of information they pick as the most interesting to them. The updates are sent directly to their inbox. Residents are urged to take advantage of this innovative way of keeping informed on what's happening in County government.

Helen Carroll said the site was patterned after the Arizona Republic's successful site, which receives 14,000,000 hits a month. She listed several future additions to the site that are planned as development continues. These included information on the County Parks' system 50th Anniversary events and the extensive recreational and hiking trails available in each park; a sporting page with news of the County's Bank One Ballpark and the Diamondbacks; and restaurant news, with not just health and cleanliness ratings but also updated news items favorite eating places. She indicated that the "electric newspaper" continues to gain popularity in the media future and this site will be designed to provide information to help people live their lives more easily.

Supervisor Brock said he was very excited about this site and felt it would be an excellent way to introduce the region to the thousands who will come to the Valley in July to attend the national NACo Conference (National Association of Counties) and to showcase the community. He said that the County has had to suffer the slights of indifference from the local media for years and he felt being able to write, edit and send accurate and informative County news to millions of interested recipients would be most rewarding. He cautioned that all County employees would be enlisted to help market the new site and encourage constituents to sign up to receive their selected information.

Helen Carroll asked the Supervisors to "wear their t-shirts" advertising the site, and added that she felt Maricopa County was far ahead of other counties in the country by creating this innovative service tool for residents. She said that while people do have to sign up to take advantage of the many features of the site, the personal information they give is very minimal and would be kept absolutely private and would not be shared with anyone. She added that one of the best features was the interactivity that would be possible, which allows residents opportunity to give input to government administration and departments and to share information with other County residents.

Supervisor Stapley was also in complete agreement the new applications as planned and considered the idea of two-way communication with residents a fantastic and innovative forward movement for the County. All the Supervisors expressed their appreciation and congratulated the Communications Department for their inventive ideas, saying they looked forward to seeing the site fully implemented.

EXECUTIVE SESSION CALLED

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03, motion was made by Supervisor Wilcox, seconded by Supervisor Brock, and unanimously carried (5-0) to recess and reconvene in Executive Session to consider items listed on the Executive Agenda dated June 1, 2004, as follows.

LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION -- ARS §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (A)(4)

1. **Compromise Cases** – Gill Akayla, Joshua Austin, Heather Carlson, Gracie Chavez, Tracy Cowan, Carlos Villanueva Cruz, Carmen F. Gonzalez, Shana Grant, David Knittle, Antonio Martinez-Soto, Jose Ochoa, Joseph Peraza, Jackie Schumacher, Henry Wilfred, Gail Williams, LaShanda Woods, Maria Zavala.
Barbara Caldwell, Outside Counsel
2. **Write-Off Cases** – Edward Clark, Linda Demaris, Victor Sanchez.
Barbara Caldwell, Outside Counsel

LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION -- A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (4)

3. **City of Mesa: Liability for Special Medical Care for Mesa City Prisoners**
Louis Gorman, Deputy County Attorney, Division of County Counsel
Tom Manos, Chief Finance Officer
Ted Shaw, Interim CEO, MIHS
Matt Nelson, Interim, CFO, MIHS

LEGAL ADVICE; PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION; PURCHASE, SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY -- A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3), (4) AND (7)

4. **Human Services Campus**
Tom Manos, Chief Financial Officer
Dennis Lindsey, Real Estate Manager
Terry Eckhardt, Deputy County Attorney, Division of County Counsel
Richard Garnett, Deputy County Attorney, Division of County Counsel

CONTRACTS SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION; SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION -- A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(4)

5. **Restitution agreement for damage to San Tan Regional Park**
Bill Scalzo, Chief Community Services Officer & Director of Parks and Recreation
Terry Eckhardt, Deputy County Attorney, Division of County Counsel

CONTRACTS SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATION; PURCHASE, SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY -- A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(4) AND (7)

6. **Sale of property to Gila River Indian Community**
Bill Scalzo, Chief Community Services Officer & Director of Parks and Recreation
Terry Eckhardt, Deputy County Attorney, Division of County Counsel
Dennis Lindsey, Real Estate Manager

FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

LEGAL ADVICE: SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS CONDUCTED IN ORDER TO AVOID OR RESOLVE LITIGATION -- A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3) AND (4)

F-1. Arizona State Land Department – easement dispute

Mike Ellegood, Director, Maricopa County Public Works Department
Tim Phillips, Acting Chief Engineer and General Manager, FCDMC
Julie Lemmon, General Counsel, FCDMC
Mike Frazelle, Special Counsel for FCDMC
Mike Wilson, Lands Division Manager, FCDMC
Rory Hays, Lobbyist
Diane Sikokis, Intergovernmental Affairs

MEETING ADJOURNED

At the conclusion of discussion on the matters listed above, and there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Andy Kunasek, Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

Fran McCarroll, Clerk of the Board